HOUSE No. 4466

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Paul K. Frost and Michael O. Moore

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act protecting police officers.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Paul K. Frost	7th Worcester
Michael O. Moore	Second Worcester
Kate D. Campanale	17th Worcester
Timothy R. Whelan	1st Barnstable
James M. Cantwell	4th Plymouth
Hannah Kane	11th Worcester
Danielle W. Gregoire	4th Middlesex
David T. Vieira	3rd Barnstable
Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr.	5th Worcester
Brian M. Ashe	2nd Hampden
F. Jay Barrows	1st Bristol
Geoff Diehl	7th Plymouth
David F. DeCoste	5th Plymouth
Angelo L. D'Emilia	8th Plymouth
Shawn Dooley	9th Norfolk
Peter J. Durant	6th Worcester
Ryan C. Fattman	Worcester and Norfolk
Kimberly N. Ferguson	1st Worcester

James J. Dwyer	30th Middlesex
Patricia A. Haddad	5th Bristol
Bradford R. Hill	4th Essex
Susan Williams Gifford	2nd Plymouth
Anne M. Gobi	Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and
	Middlesex
Randy Hunt	5th Barnstable
Keiko M. Orrall	12th Bristol
Richard J. Ross	Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex
James M. Kelcourse	1st Essex
Marc T. Lombardo	22nd Middlesex
Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.	12th Hampden
Steven S. Howitt	4th Bristol
Kevin J. Kuros	8th Worcester
Joseph D. McKenna	18th Worcester
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	20th Middlesex
David K. Muradian, Jr.	9th Worcester
Jonathan D. Zlotnik	2nd Worcester
James R. Miceli	19th Middlesex
John F. Keenan	Norfolk and Plymouth
Michael J. Rodrigues	First Bristol and Plymouth
Harold P. Naughton, Jr.	12th Worcester
James E. Timilty	Bristol and Norfolk
Patrick M. OConnor	Plymouth and Norfolk
Todd M. Smola	1st Hampden
Paul McMurtry	11th Norfolk
Donald H. Wong	9th Essex
Nicholas A. Boldyga	3rd Hampden
Elizabeth A. Poirier	14th Bristol
Mathew Muratore	1st Plymouth
Susannah M. Whipps Lee	2nd Franklin
Barbara L'Italien	Second Essex and Middlesex
Shaunna L. O'Connell	3rd Bristol
RoseLee Vincent	16th Suffolk
Michael F. Rush	Norfolk and Suffolk
Jennifer L. Flanagan	Worcester and Middlesex
Kenneth I. Gordon	21st Middlesex
Carole A. Fiola	6th Bristol
Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr.	28th Middlesex

John H. Rogers	12th Norfolk
Harriette L. Chandler	First Worcester

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By Representative Frost of Auburn and Senator Moore, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Paul K. Frost, Michael O. Moore and others relative to fines and punishment for committing assault or assault and battery on law enforcement officers while in the performance of their duties. The Judiciary.

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court (2015-2016)

An Act protecting police officers.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Section 13D of Chapter 265, as appearing in the 2014 Official Edition, is hereby
- 2 amended by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph:-
- Whoever commits an assault or an assault and battery upon a law enforcement officer,
- 4 when such an officer is engaged in the performance of their duties, that results in bodily injury
- 5 shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for not more than 5 years or in the house of
- 6 correction for not more than 2 1/2 years, or by a fine of not more than \$5,000, or by both such
- 7 fine and imprisonment. Second or subsequent assaults upon a law enforcement officer, when
- 8 such an officer is engaged in the performance of their duties, or assaults and battery, resulting in
- 9 bodily injury shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000, and imprisonment for not less
- 10 than 1 year in a house of correction or more than 10 years in state prison.